FISCAL NOTE

SB 3917 - HB 4038

March 26, 2006

SUMMARY OF BILL: Revises the age of children to whom the compulsory school attendance requirements for blind children apply from "between seven and 16 years of age" to "between six and 17 years of age."

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures – Not Significant Increase Local Govt. Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- This bill would make compulsory attendance requirements the same for all children consistent with the federal No Child Left Behind Act.
- According to the Director of the School for the Blind, the bill would only affect a few students and would not increase costs to the school; therefore, the impact on state and local governments is estimated to be not significant.
- Many of the school's students begin their program of education at age four (4) and stay at the school until the age of 22.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director